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Dr. Joab L. Thomas, President
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Dear Dr. Thomas:

I was disappointed when your busy schedule again made it impossible for you to join with me and a few of your colleagues from other colleges and universities on March 23, 1983. I believe the session went well. I know that I and my associates at the Central Intelligence Agency found the suggestions and comments of our guests most helpful in our continuing effort to improve further our relations with the academic world.

I hope that you will be able to participate in my next meeting with a small group of presidents on October 12, 1983. The program will be similar to those followed last March and the previous October, i.e. beginning about 9:00 a.m. and concluding about 4:00 p.m., involving a series of briefings by senior officials of the Agency and providing the opportunity for a wide-ranging exchange of views and suggestions among the participants.

My Coordinator for Academic Affairs, [redacted]
[redacted] has already been in touch with [redacted]
[redacted] of your staff and will be available to discuss details
of your visit, if, as I hope, you can join me in October.

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Sincerely,

/s/ William J. Casey

William J. Casey
Director of Central Intelligence